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## **IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Inventor: W. Heine et al. ) ) Group Art Unit: 3745  
Serial No.: 10/593,043 ) ) Examiner: Aaron R. Eastman  
Filed: September 15, 2006 ) Conf. No.: 7261  
  
Title: **WELDED TURBINE SHAFT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING  
SAID SHAFT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
**Commissioner For Patents**  
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Sir:

Response Under 37 CFR 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed June 23, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

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